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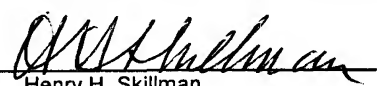
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION UNDER 37 CFR §1.36(a)

The undersigned hereby petitions for an extension of time of ONE (1) month(s) beyond the time period set in the last Office Communication. The proper fee under 37 CFR §1.17 is hereby authorized to be charged to the Deposit Account of the undersigned attorneys, **Deposit Account No. 04-1406.**


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AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 37 CFR 1.116

In response to the Official Action dated December 15, 2009, please amend the above entitled application as follows.

Please amend the claims as set forth in **Attachment C-1.**

REMARKS

A request for Continued Examination is being filed concurrently herewith.


The Claims 6-8 have been added to conform them to claims 1-3 of the granted European Patent No. EP 1 690 507 B1, copy of which is attached as **Attachment C-2.** Claim 9 is directed to the structure described in paragraphs [0031] - [0033].

The claims are believed allowable for the reasons set forth in **Attachment C-3**

Early and favorable reconsideration leading prompt passage of the case to issue is respectfully requested.

Respectfully requested,

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